

Columbia Amateur Radio Club

March 1, 2021 Meeting Minutes

The Zoom meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Dan Cunningham, K9DBC.

Business

There were 40 participants to this Zoom meeting plus several spouses.

Greg, KO4KM, just got his license.

Mark, W9WXX, upgraded his license to Extra!

Members of the Bothur family got their general licenses in January.

Pete Emmel, our membership chairperson announced that we have a membership of 129 individuals and 15 families.

Amanda McKinnie, our treasurer, stated that our treasury is in excellent shape with a balance of \$4007.81 at Wells Fargo Bank and \$1444.21 at First City for a total of \$5,452.02. 12 people renewed their membership, and we had one new member.

Net manager, Charles McKinnis, reported that last month there were 4 Sunday night nets with a total of 124 people signing in and 23 pieces of traffic were passed.

Earl Dean welcomed Chad Owens and Mark Tarpley to our meeting.

Announcements

Mark Goddard announced that the final exploratory meeting for the Simplex Net was held and the first "real" Simplex Net will be on Wednesday March 3rd.

On April 18th, we have scheduled a Bomb Island Event and we are looking for participants. Please contact Earl Dean if interested.

Steve Nixon welcomed Joe, KO4HRW, as a 1st timer at our meeting.

Stan Slaughter is still looking for a venue for the upcoming Licensing Class that will be held March 15-19 with the test on Saturday March 20th. Please check our website for updates.

Jim Lathan reported that Mike, N4BQQ, is out of the hospital and is actually joining in the meeting tonight.

The SCQSO Party on February 27th and 28th was quite successful. David Livingston, hit it out of the park! From the trailer 140 to 150 contacts were made. Kudos to Mike Magnuson, Steve Nixon and Earl Dean.

Ted Clayton, K4TLC has been appointed as our new Public Information Officer.

Presentation

Our presenter this evening was Tom Perera W1TP. The topic of his presentation was Finding and Refurbishing Enigmas, which were radios used by spies in WW2. This was a very interesting presentation enjoyed by all who watched it. Tom will be back at a future time with another presentation.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Jean Covey W1GTJ.